

**Request  
for  
Continued Examination (RCE)  
Transmittal**

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Application Number	10/017,788
Filing Date	December 13, 2001
First Named Inventor	Nguyen, Quan
Art Unit	1641
Examiner Name	Counts, Gary W.
Attorney Docket Number	002558-064310US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
  - i.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Other one (1) cited reference \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.
  - i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) \$ 790.00 11/30/2006 MBIZUNES 00000036 201430 10017788
  - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
- c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

Signature		Date	November 27, 2006
Name (Print /Type)	Joel G. Ackerman	Registration No.	24,307

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

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Name (Print /Type)	Lois M. Simón

Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

# FEES TRANSMITTAL For FY 2006

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$ 970)

### Complete if Known

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### METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check  Credit Card  Money Order  None  Other (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 20-1430 Deposit Account Name: Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below  Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee  
 Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17  Credit any overpayments

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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

<u>Application Type</u>	<u>FILING FEES</u>		<u>SEARCH FEES</u>		<u>EXAMINATION FEES</u>		
	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50 25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200 100
Multiple dependent claims	360 180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>
-20 or HP = _____	x _____	= _____		<u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>
-3 or HP = _____	x _____	= _____		<u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3

#### 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

<u>Total Sheets</u>	<u>Extra Sheets</u>	<u>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
- 100 = _____	/ 50 = _____	(round up to a whole number) x _____ = _____		

#### 4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, ~\$130 fee (no small entity discount) \_\_\_\_\_  
Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt \$180;  
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) \$790. \_\_\_\_\_

Fees Paid (\$)

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### SUBMITTED BY

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